FOUR CORNERS NEWSLETTER

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TRADITIONS

There is a great deal to be said for traditions. They enable us to share those things that are most precious to us. They give stability to our lives. They are the glue that cements families, cultures, and societies together.

What are your traditions? If yours is like most families, you have certain things you do, prepare, or read at this time of year. Some of us have not been together long enough to form our own traditions, so we tap into those that we cherished growing up, developing others that suit our new families.

Whether your traditions for Thanksgiving include decorating your home for the holiday, preparing a feast fit for a king, visiting friends and family, searching the scriptures for passages on gratefulness and thanksgiving, reading about America's first Thanksgiving, or slogging through "The Mud Bowl" at Santana Park on Thanksgiving morning, continue them. There is something comforting about traditions.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to build traditions within your family unit, whatever that unit may be, you might consider starting some this year. Ask around. Others in the ward may have developed some meaningful traditions that you just might want to incorporate into your own life.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving

FAMILY PREPAREDNESS

Being prepared for an emergency includes many things, as we've discussed in this newsletter for several months. One area that we often forget is communications, something that is vitally important to our safety and well-being. Have some of the following on hand:

*transistor radio
*extra batteries
*emergency signal flare
*stainless steel signal mirror
*whistles with a string or chain for around the neck
*a compass
*road maps or atlas
*small personal phone book
*know that a distress signal is 3 of anything visual or audible- repeated at regular intervals

MESSAGES FROM KONRAD

Each month, Konrad Juengling will be writing a short article on a gospel topic, or a topic taken from anywhere in the scriptures. This month's topic is . . .

LEPROSY

Leprosy is a terrible form of skin disease, still common in dry climates in the Eastern part of the world. It is infectious, and contagious, and coming within contact with a "leper" (a person infected with leprosy) might result in leprosy.

This disease is spoken of often in the Old Testament and the New Testament, though the term "leprosy" was also used to refer to patches of growth or mildew on clothes or walls.

There were apparently several types of leprosy, and many notables were sometimes affected with one or more of them. These people included: Moses, his sister, Miriam, Naaman, and King Uzziah. In these cases, leprosy was given as a sign, a warning, or as a punishment.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER

5th	6:00 P.M.– CES fireside at the Stake Center
9th	7:00 P.M.– Temple Sealings
11th	YM/YW Tri-Stake Dance—Monmouth
12th	Michelle Gilbert Farewell Special Leadership Satellite Broadcast
14th	Relief Society Personal Enrichment Night has been cancelled
16th	All-Day Temple Activity
17th	7:30 P.M.– Ward Temple Night
19th	5:00 P.M.—Child of Record Baptisms 6:30 P.M.—YW World-Wide Celebration Randy Bird Farewell—West Salem
22nd	No YM/YW
23rd	THANKSGIVING DAY "The Mud Bowl" - Santana Park (check with the Young Men regarding time)
26th	Caleb Coombs Farewell 4:30 P.M.-Stake Priesthood Meeting 7:00 P.M.-Youth Fireside
29th	Laurel Service Project—Senior Citizens' Dinner
30th	7:00 P.M.—Stake Priesthood Leader ship Training

DECEMBER

(Just a few things to look forward to)

3rd	First Presidency Satellite Broadcast
12th	Relief Society Personal Enrichment Night—6:30 P.M.
15th	Ward Christmas Party

THANKSGIVING SCRAMBLE

Here are things you would find at Thanksgiving. Identify them. The answers are at the bottom of the page:

1. Pinmkup epi	A.Gratitude
2. Srrenacbei	B.Thanksgiving Dinner
3. Kyeutr gsresidn	C.Buttermilk
4. Ggikistvnnha rninde	D.Pumpkin Pie
5. Dheasm stopeoat	E.Frosty Air
6. Redang gvyar	F.Hot Rolls - Butter
7. Tho srlol-turtbe	G.Chocolate Cake
8. Eiutblmktr	H.Autumn Season
9. Tuanum nssoae	I.Mashed Potatoes
10. Tvrhaes item	J.Cranberries
11. Selietrva	K.Turkey Dressing
12. Euiatgrtd	L.Ice Cream Roll
13. Coaehcolt kace	M.Gander Gravy
14. Cei mrcae lorl	N.Harvest Time
15. Srfyto rai	O.Relatives

". . . that ye humble yourselves even to the dust, and worship God, in whatsoever place ye may be in, in spirit and in truth; and that ye live in thanksgiving daily, for the many mercies and blessings which He doth bestow upon you."

Alma 34: 38

Because I have been given much,
I too must give;
Because of thy great bounty Lord,
Each day I live,
I shall divide my gifts from thee
With every brother that I see
Who has the need of help from me.

Hymn #219—first verse

1D, 2J, 3K, 4B, 5I, 6M, 7F, 8C, 9H, 10N, 11O, 12A, 13G, 14L, 15E